(c) the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) to (c) Consultancy and Business Development Division of India Tourism Development Corporation (ITDC) has been engaged in consultation with the States concerned for preparation of Project Reports for creation of tourism infrastructure in Destinations and Circuits for the State of Arunanchal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Mizoram, Chhattisgarh, Jammu and Kashmir, Assam, Punjab, Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Orissa, Jharkhand and West Bengal. Identified projects posed by the State Governments for Central assistance are given due consideration subject to availability of funds and *inter-se* priorities of the projects.

Irregularities in transaction of Centaur Hotel

2942. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have ordered to conduct a probe into the irregularities in the transaction of Centaur Hotel and if so, the agency to which the probe has been entrusted with and the issues which stand referred to for enquiry;

(b) whether Government propose to conduct any probe on the alleged irregularities behind the transaction of Kovalam Hotel in Kerala in line with the Centaur Hotel probe; and

(c) whether any request has been received from any quarter or sought the intervention of Government for ordering such a probe, if any?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) In the light of observations made by the C&AG relating to sale transaction of Hotel Centaur, Mumbai and Hotel Airport Centaur, Mumbai, Government has decided to institute a CBI enquiry. The decision of the Government has been conveyed to the CBI in July, 2005.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Yes, Sir.